

Subject: Re: storefront location for Planning's Downtown workshop

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Date: 06/30/2016 04:24 PM

To: Tal Harari

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Tal,

As long as it's not 6 planning folks at once- we should be good. And we are in/out all day but could arrange for one of our security people to give access.

I'm pretty sure the 1st week in September is better than the last week in August.

Let me know your thoughts. We have done multiple elected official office hours here and it's always been successful.

Blair Besten

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On Jun 30, 2016, at 15:09, Tal Harari <tal.harari@lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Blair,

Thank you so much for the offer! Is this the 209 W 5th St. location?

There would be a group of 6 or so City Planning staff there throughout the day and into the evening. The intention is to provide a public and highly visible space for folks to learn about the plan and provide their input. We hope that people will come in on their own time - before and after work, on a leisurely stroll over the weekend, and also for focused topic discussions we will announce ahead of time.

We initially wanted to have this the last week of August, but are open to early September if that is better. I can provide further details on all this if you have questions.

Hope to speak with you soon,
Tal

On Thu, Jun 30, 2016 at 2:48 PM, Clare Eberle <clare.eberle@lacity.org> wrote:

Thanks for getting back to me! That might work well. I'm copying Tal from Planning.

On Thu, Jun 30, 2016 at 1:21 PM, Blair Besten <blair@historiccore.bid> wrote:

You could do it here in our visitors center depending on hours and number of staff.

Blair Besten

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On Jun 30, 2016, at 13:08, Clare Eberle <clare.eberle@lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Blair, I hope this finds you well! Great seeing you very briefly at the unity event last week.

The Planning Department has reached out to our office to ask for some help with a special project: they are seeking an empty storefront/ street level space to use for 1 week in August as a walk-in office/studio space to gather input on the Downtown Community Plan Update.

It's a great idea focused on boosting participation in the process. I think their infrastructure needs are minimal (electrical outlets mainly, restrooms in the vicinity for staff).

If you happen to think of spaces or property owners who may be open to the idea, would you let

me know? You can also contact Tal Harari at City Planning directly: tal.harari@lacity.org

Thanks! Happy summer :)

Clare Eberle

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